

63. Microparticles according to claim 62 wherein said drug is somatostatin or LHRH or an analogue or a fragment thereof.

64. Microparticles according to claim 63 wherein said somatostatin analogue is D- β -Nal-c[Cys-Tyr-D-Trp-Val-Cys]-Thr-NH₂.

65. A method according to claim 21 wherein said polyester comprises lactic acid, glycolic acid and tartaric acid.

66. A method according to claim 28 wherein said polyester comprises lactic acid, glycolic acid and tartaric acid.

67. A method according to claim 37 wherein said polyester comprises lactic acid, glycolic acid and tartaric acid.--

REMARKS

The specification is amended to recite claimed benefit under 35 USC 120 from International Patent Application PCT/IE97/00030.

Applicant has amended the dependency of the claims to preclude a rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, fifth paragraph, which provides in part that "[a] multiple dependent claim shall not serve as a basis for any other multiple dependent claim." No new matter has been added by the above amendments.

For the Examiner's convenience, additional pages for the specification, i.e., pages 23 to 27 containing new claims 40 to 67, are also filed herewith.

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